MINUTES OF THE SENATE EDUCATION STANDING COMMITTEE ROOM 210, SENATE BUILDING, UTAH STATE CAPITOL COMPLEX MARCH 6, 2013

Members Present: Sen. Stuart C. Reid, Chair

Sen. Patricia W. Jones Sen. Mark B. Madsen Sen. Aaron Osmond

Sen. Howard A. Stephenson Sen. Stephen H. Urquhart

Members Excused: Pres. Wayne L. Niederhauser

Members Absent: Sen. Jerry W. Stevenson

Staff Present: Ms. Allison Nicholson, Policy Analyst

Ms. Wendy Hill, Secretary

A list of visitors and a copy of handouts are filed with the committee minutes.

Chair Reid called the meeting to order at 8:06 am.

Chair Reid relinquished the Chair to Sen. Osmond.

Approval of Minutes

MOTION: Sen. Jones moved to approve the minutes of the March 1, 2013 and March 4,

2013 meetings. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Madsen and Sen.

Urquhart absent for the vote.

S.J.R. 5 Joint Resolution on State Superintendent of Public Instruction (Sen. S. Reid)

Sen. Reid introduced and explained the resolution.

Acting Chair Osmond relinquished the Chair to Sen. Jones.

Spoke in opposition to the resolution: Ms. Debra Roberts, Chair, Utah State Board of Education

Ms. Jennifer A. Johnson, Member, (speaking for herself), Utah State Board of Education Ms. Marilyn Nowell-Bown, (speaking for herself)

Education Director, League of Women Voters of

Salt Lake

Ms. Deon Turley, Education Commissioner, Utah Parent

Teacher Association

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Sen. Osmond resumed the Chair.

Spoke in opposition to the resolution: Ms. JoDee Sundberg, President, Utah School

Boards Association, also representing Utah School Superintendents Association, and

Business Administrators

Ms. Gainell Rogers, President, Utah Parent Teacher

Association

Spoke in favor of the resolution: Mr. Richard R. Nelson, President and CEO, Utah

Technology Council

Mr. Stan Rasmussen, Public Affairs Director, Sutherland

Institute

MOTION: Sen. Stephenson moved to pass S.J.R. 5 out favorably. The motion passed, with

Sen. Jones voting in opposition and Sen. Urquhart absent for the vote.

Chair Reid resumed the Chair.

H.B. 306 School Land Trust Program Amendments (Rep. L. Perry) (Sen. A. Osmond)

Rep. Perry introduced and explained the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Stephenson moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Page 5, Line 134:

134 (iv) [An] (A) Subject to {Subsection} Subsections (5)(b)(iv)(B) and (5)(b)(iv)(C) , a timeline for the election [for the] of

2. Page 5, Line 138:

shall be held near the beginning of the school year and completed before October 15 or held in the spring and completed before the last week of school .

(C) Each school shall establish a time period for the election of parent or guardian members of a school community council under Subsection (5)(b)(iv)(B) that is consistent for at least a four-year period.

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Urquhart absent for the vote.

MOTION: Sen. Stephenson moved to pass H.B 306 out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Osmond and Sen. Urquhart absent for the vote.

S.B. 271 School Grading Amendments (Sen. J. S. Adams)

Sen. Adams introduced and explained the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Stephenson moved to amend the bill as follows:

- 1. Page 2, Lines 55 through 56:
 - 55 (4) "Sufficient growth" means growth greater than or equal to growth at the 60th
 - 56 percentile in the {prior year} 2011-12 school year .

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Urquhart absent for the vote.

Spoke in opposition to the bill: Dr. Judy Park, Associate Superintendent, State Board of

Education

Dr. Sara Jones, Director of Educational Excellence & Community Outreach, Utah Education Association

Spoke in favor of the bill: Mr. Richard R. Nelson, President and CEO, Utah Technology

Council

Ms. Judi Clark, Executive Director, Parents for Choice in

Education

MOTION: Sen. Stephenson moved to pass S.B. 271 out favorably. The motion passed, with

Sen. Jones voting in opposition and Sen. Urquhart absent for the vote.

S.B. 209 Grants for Personal Mobile Learning Devices (Sen. A. Osmond)

Sen. Osmond introduced and explained the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Osmond moved to amend the bill as follows:

- 1. Page 3, Lines 81 through 82:
 - 81 <u>device</u>; {<u>and</u>}
 - 82 (g) relating to the ownership of a personal mobile learning device $\{\cdot\}$; and
 - (h) requiring an applicant for grant money to submit the following with the grant application:
 - (i) a comprehensive instructional plan that articulates how technology purchased with the grant money will be used in the classroom to teach the core curriculum; and
 - (ii) evidence of successfully using technology for instruction on the core curriculum

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The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Urquhart absent for the vote.

Spoke in favor of the bill: Dr. Martell Menlove, State Superintendent of Public Instruction

Dr. Christine Kearl, Education Deputy, Office of the Governor

MOTION: Sen. Osmond moved to pass S.B. 209 out favorably. The motion passed

unanimously with Sen. Urguhart absent for the vote.

H.B. 173 Necessarily Existent Small Schools Funding Amendments (Rep. K. Powell) (Sen. K. Van Tassell)

Sen. Stephenson introduced and explained the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Stephenson moved to pass H.B. 173 out favorably. The motion passed

unanimously with Sen. Urguhart absent for the vote.

MOTION: Sen. Jones moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Urguhart

absent for the vote.

Chair Reid adjourned the meeting at 9:22 am.

Minutes were reported by Ms. Wendy Hill, Secretary.

 Sen. Stuart C. Reid, Chair	